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Case No. 8285/162

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Bennett et al.

Serial No.: 08/999,106

Filed: 12/29/97

For: System And Method For Home
Automation And Security

Attention: Manager,
Application Branch

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION
FILING DATE GRANTED**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Filing Date Granted dated 03/30/98, a copy of which is attached, enclosed herewith for filing are the following documents:


- ☒ Fully executed Patent Application Declaration Combined With Power of Attorney for the above-referenced patent application (3 pages).
- ☒ Applicant is:
 - ☐ a small entity, verified statement is:
 - ☐ attached

- ☐ already filed
- ☒ other than small entity
- ☒ Checks totaling \$2,614 for:
- ☒ Filing Fee of \$790.
- ☒ Surcharge of \$130.
- ☒ Additional Claim Fees of \$1,694.
- ☐ Petition for Extension of Time (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)) to file missing parts (2 pages in duplicate).
- ☐ Other: _____.
- ☒ The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

Dated: May 27, 1998

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Respectfully,

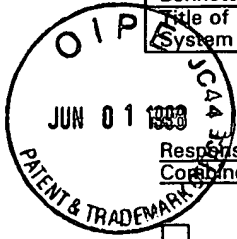


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| Inventor(s) Bennett et al. | | | |
| Title of Invention System And Method For Home Automation And Security | | | |



TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is. Patent Office Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application - Filing Date Granted (1 Page); Response To Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application - Filing Date Granted (2 Pages); Patent Application Declaration Combined With Power Of Attorney (3 Pages); And, Postcard Receipt

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ Petition for a _____ month extension of time.
- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE) in the amount of \$_____. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$2614 to cover the filing fee (\$790), surcharge (\$130), and additional claim fees (\$1694) is enclosed.
- ☒ The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is timely filed. Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION
Filing Date Granted

An Application Number and Filing Date have been assigned to this application. However, the items indicated below are missing. The required items and fees identified below must be timely submitted ALONG WITH THE PAYMENT OF A SURCHARGE for items 1 and 3-6 only of \$ 1790.00 for a ☒ large entity ☐ small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27. The surcharge is set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e). Applicant is given TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE within which to file all required items and pay any fees required above to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

If all required items on this form are filed within the period set above, the total amount owed by applicant as a ☒ large entity ☐ small entity (verified statement filed), is \$ 1790.00.

☒ 1. The statutory basic filing fee is:

- ☒ missing.
- ☐ insufficient.

Applicant must submit \$ 1790.00 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a verified small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).

☒ 2. Additional claim fees of \$ 1694.00, including any multiple dependent claim fees, are required.

Applicant must either submit the additional claim fees or cancel additional claims for which fees are due.

☒ 3. The oath or declaration:

- ☒ is missing.
- ☐ does not cover the newly submitted items.
- ☐ does not identify the application to which it applies.
- ☐ does not include the city and state or foreign country of applicant's residence.

An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date is required.

☐ 4. The signature(s) to the oath or declaration is/are:

- ☐ missing.
- ☐ by a person other than inventor or person qualified under 37 CFR 1.42, 1.43, or 1.47.

A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

☐ 5. The signature of the following joint inventor(s) is missing from the oath or declaration:

An oath or declaration listing the names of all inventors and signed by the omitted inventor(s), identifying this application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

☐ 6. A \$ _____ processing fee is required since your check was returned without payment (37 CFR 1.21(m)).

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☐ 8. The application does not comply with the Sequence Rules.

01 FC:105 See attached "Notice to Inventor With Sequence Rules 37 CFR 1.821-1.825."

02 FC:101

03 FC:1029 OTHER:

04 FC:103

05 FC:104

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